Once upon a time there were two kingdoms. Black magic hovered over the land. The kings agreed to clear the land of black magic . As time went by a sorcerer named Rothbart grew more powerful than ever. The only way to save both kingdoms was to promise the young prince his daughter in an arranged marriage. Everyone knew from her birth that the couple would for ever be betrothed to each other. Even Rothbart.

Rothbart: I'm not finished with you yet. Someday I'll get my power back, and when I do,

everything you own, everything you love, will be mine!

Narrator: For the young children to get acquainted until they were ready for betrothal. They were forced to spend every summer together.

Queen Wilimina: Dear Uberta, and lovely as ever and who is this terrific young man be? Young prince Derek, no doubt.

Queen Uberta: Welcome to our fair Kingdom Willimina, and to you, young Princess. Go on, Derek!

Dear, go on!

Young Derek: Mother!

Queen Uberta: Derek!

Young Derek: Hello Princess Odette, I'm very pleased to meet you.

Young Odette: Pleased to meet you, Prince Derek.

(kisses her hand)

THIS IS MY IDEA

[Young Derek]I can't believe I'm stuck with her all summer,

I'll bet, she doesn't wrestle, hunt or box.

[Young Odette] He looks conceited,

[Young Derek] What a total bummer.

[both] If I get lucky, I'll get chicken pox.

[Young Derek]So happy you could come.

[Young Odette]So happy to be here.

[both]How I'd like to run.

[Young Odette]This is not my idea.

[Young Derek]This isn't my idea,

[both]Of fun.

[Queen Uberta]The children seem to get along quite nicely.

[Queen Willimina]We'll join our lands if this arrangement clicks.

[Queen Uberta]My dear Wilimina, that's my point precisely.

[Queen Willimina] It's such good parenting.

[both]And politics.

[Queen Uberta]So happy we agree.

[Queen Willimina] I think we've got a deal.

[Queen Uberta] Derek's quite a catch.

[Queen Willimina] This is my idea.

[Queen Uberta] This is my idea, Of a match. And such fun!

[Queen Willimina] Good heavens, child, don't dawdle, We can't keep Derek waiting.

[Pre-Teen Odette] I haven't packed or washed my hair And, mother, I get seasick.

[Queen Uberta] They soon will be arriving, Is that respect you're showing?

[Teen Derek] You make me kiss her hand again, I swear I'm going to be sick.

[Queen Willimina] One day Prince Derek will be her intended.

[Queen Uberta] Splendid!

[Teen Derek] I’ve tried all summer, but I just can't lose her.

[Pre-Teen Odette] Hey Derek, wait up!

[Teen Derek]Time to , put on some speed. When picking teams Or friends,

I never choose her. You'd think she'd take a hint and learn to read?

[Pre-Teen Odette] This really isn't fair.

[Teen Derek] I really couldn't care.

[Pre Teen Odette] Hey, it's all or none. This is not my idea.

[Teen Derek] This isn't my idea

[both] Of fun.

[Chorus]Long before they met, Derek and Odette, Were destined to be wedded.

However everything anyone could see, The only point on which they didn't disagree,

Was that the very thought of summertime, Was dreaded.

[Teen Derek] She tries to talk me into playing dress-up.

So, she's always flirting with the castle guards.

[Teen Odette} I think you really sort of like me, 'fess up.

[Teen Derek]I'd like you better if you’d lose at cards. Four sevens and a ten!

[Teen Odette] I think I've won again.

[Teen Derek]Every time she's won.

[Teen Odette]This is my idea.

[Teen Derek]This isn't my idea

[both]Of fun.

[Chorus]We need a royal wedding. I'd love to be invited. At least we'd get a holiday,

to rest our ploughs and axes.

Someday these two will marry, Two lands will be united, And with some luck their marriage,

may result in lower taxes.

[Queen Willimina] What if Odette doesn't go for the merger?

[Queen Uberta] Urge her!

[Odette and Derek] For as long as I remember, We've been told we'd someday wed,

Every June until September.

[Derek]All their pushing and annoying hints.

[Odette] I've got bruises with their fingerprints.

[Derek] I can do much better I am sure.

[Odette]He's so immature. I see him smiling and my knees start buckling,

I see inside him and my doubts are gone.

[Derek]She started out as such an ugly duckling, And somehow suddenly became a swan.

[Odette]So happy to be here.

[Derek]'Til now I never knew.

[Both] It is you I've been dreaming of.

[Odette]This is my idea.

[Derek]This is my idea.

[Chorus] What a good idea, sucha charming and romantic notion.

This is my idea. This is my idea.

Such a good idea. Such a good idea.

What a good idea, such a powerful and magic potion.

This is exactly my idea, Of love.

[Odette]This is my idea.

[Derek] This is my idea.

[Both] This is my idea... Of love.

Derek: Arrange the marriage.

Odette: Wait!

Derek: What? You are all, I ever wanted. You're beautiful.

Odette: Thank you, but what else?

Derek: What else?

Odette: Is beauty all that matters to you? What else?

Derek: I... What else is there? (Odette runs off)

Queen Willimina: We tried, Uberta. No one can say, we didn't try. Goodbye.(They leave)

Queen Uberta: Goodbye. All these years of planning, Wasted! "What else is there"? She said, "Is beauty all that matters"? And you say "what else is there"?

Derek: It was dumb, I know.

Queen Uberta: You should write a book, How to offend women in five syllables or less.

Derek: I did not know what else to say.

Oueen Uberta: Think! You must see something other than Odette's beauty.

Derek: I do. I just....I don't know how to say it. I'll prove it to her. I'll prove my love.

Narrator: As Queen Willimina and Odette travel back to their ship their carriage was attacked. Odette was taken. In the dark of the night, a guard takes an injured queen back to the palace. In a hurry Derek and Queen Uberta rush to Queen Williminas aide.

Derek: What happened?

Queen Willimina : We were attacked ! Attacked I tell you by something powerful. Odette.... Odette was taken.

Queen Uberta: Taken? Oh No!

Derek: Who took her ? Where is Odette?

Queen Willimina: Listen to me, Derek. It's not what it seems... It's not what it seems...

Derek: What's not?

Queen Willimina: It was an animal! A great Animal! Odette, is... Odette, is... gone.

Narrator: In castle ruins hidden in the forest The lair of The Sorcerer Rothbart.

Rothbart: Odette! Don't let my little spell make you sad, Odette, as it does not even last the whole day.

As soon as the moon comes up... And that's how it works, every night. You must be on the lake of course, and when the moonlight touches your wings...hahaha. Now, look, Odette... This sort of thing does not give me any pleasure. Well, maybe a teensy bit... But what I really want is your kingdom.

Odette Swan; Take it then, you have enough power.

Rothbart: No,-a-a, tried that already. Once you steal something, you spend your whole life fighting to keep it. But if I marry you, the only heir to the throne...We'll rule the kingdom together, legally. King and queen, you know?

Odette Swan: Never!

Rothbart: Where are you going? As soon as moonlight leaves the lake, you turn back into the swan. No matter where you are. Hahahaha

Narrator: Derek searched for days but there was still no sign of Odette. We now find Derek cooped up in the library researching the great animal and what that animal might be. Not a bear, nor a dragon but something more graceful. A swan.

Derek: "It's not what it seems. " Of course! It's not what it seems. Now I'll find you, Odette.

Queen Uberta: They are coming, Derek. And Where do you think you are going?

Derek: To find the great animal.

Queen Uberta: Oh, wonderful! Just make sure you're here Friday night.

Derek: Friday night?

Queen Uberta: The ball...

Derek: Mother, I... I can't. (sigh) If I leave now, maybe I can be back in time.

Queen Uberta: Oh, Thank you darling.

Derek: Please mother, don't turn it into one of your beauty pageants.

Queen Uberta: Hooo... no no no no no, It just a few friends... and their daughters.

Derek: Mother. I'll be back soon.

Narrator: Derek searches for the great animal. He takes his hunt to the furthest forest of his kingdom.

Odette: I'm under a spell. I can only kiss the man I love, and then he... Must make a vow of everlasting love And prove it to the world.

FAR LONGER THAN FOREVER

[Odette]If I could break this spell,

I'd run to him today. And somehow I know

he's on his way to me.

Derek, you and I were meant to be.

Far longer than forever.

I'll hold you in my heart.

It's almost like you're here with me.

Although we're far apart.

[Derek]Far longer than forever. As constant as a star.

I close my eyes and I am where you are.

[Odette]Sure as the dawn brings the sunrise. We've an unshakable bond.

[Derek]Destined to last for a lifetime and beyond.

Far longer than forever.

[Odette]Far longer than forever.

[Derek] I swear that I'll be true.

[Odette] I swear that I'll be true.

[Derek] I've made an ever

[Both] lasting vow.

To find a way to you.

Far longer than forever.

Like no love every known.

[Odette]And with your love

[Both] I'll never be alone.

[Odette]Far longer than forever.

[Derek] Much stronger than forever.

[Odette] And with your love I'll never be alone.

Rothbart: So Princess Have we've changed our mind? All it takes is just one little word. Will you... marry me?

Odette: Every night you ask the same question.

Rothbart: No, no!

Odette: And every night I give you the same answer. –

Rothbart: Don't!

Odette: I'll die first.

Rothbart: That's it! Just keep pushing it! But some day I'm going to boil over!

Odette: Go ahead, then. But I'll never give you, my Kingdom!

Rothbart: I was hoping you would say "You'd be mine". Well, it looks as if you need another day... to think about it! The Moon is just about to leave the lake . A princess as a swan is great pet to keep.

Odette: No!

Narrator: As the moon left the lake. Princess Odette changed back into a beautiful white swan. Besause everything is not what it seems. A rising sun now sets, As Derek arrives at dusk to the very edge of the forest. Odette senses a change in the air. She listens.

Odette Swan : I better keep an eye for hunters. Wait its Derek! Derek. He is here!

Derek: A Swan? A Swan! Of course! It's not what it seems.

Odette Swan: I have to lead him to the lake.

Derek: Just a little closer.

Odette Swan: Come on! Follow me Derek. Into the trees! I better think of something quick, or else.

Narrator: Derek chases after the beautiful swan thinking that is what Queen Wilimina meant by her words. They soon arrive at the castle ruins as Odette lands gracefully on the lake.

Derek: I’ve got you now.

Narrator: As the moon beams down on to Odette glistening on the lake, magic floats thru the air and wraps around Odette changing her back to her human form.

Derek: Odette?!

Odette: Derek! Derek, I missed you so.

Derek: No one believed me. But I knew…

Odette: You can't stay.

Derek: Can't stay? No, I'll never let you out of my sight again.

Odette: Listen to me, Derek.

Rothbart: Odette!

Odette: Oh, no!

Derek: Who is it? What's going on?

Odette: It's him!

Derek: Who?

Odette: He has me under a spell.

Derek: Who does?

Rothbart: Odette!

Derek: Let him come! I'm…

Odette: No! He has great power. You must go!

Derek: You are coming with me.

Odette: I can't. When the moon sets, I turn back into a swan. Please Derek, you have to trust me. Go!

Derek: There must be some way to break the spell.

Odette: Oh, there is. You must make a vow of everlasting love.

Derek: I'll make it. It's all I ever wanted.

Odette: You must prove it to the world.

Derek: The ball! Tomorrow night. Come to the castle. Before the whole world, I will make a vow of everlasting love.

Rothbart: Odette!

Odette: I'm coming.

Derek: Tomorrow night.

Odette: Yes, tomorrow night. Now go!

Rothbart: Odette! Didn't you hear me calling? I thought I heard voices.

Odette: Well, I...

Rothbart: You what?

Odette: I decided to become your Queen.

Rothbart: No! You mean... Oh! Odette...Odette, you make me so happy. I'll be a good King. You'll see. I'll wear nice clothes and I'm going to get my beard trimmed. Oh! Oh, by the way, Good luck going to the ball tomorrow night. (mockery) "Come to the ball, I will make a vow of everlasting love. " Thought you could fool Rothbart, did you?

Odette: I will never be yours! You creature! I will marry Prince Derek, and you cannot stop me!

Rothbart: I hate to tell you this, Odette. But you won't be able to attend the big ball tomorrow night. You see, you forgot one very important thing. Tomorrow night... there is no moon. On the other hand, Prince Derek's vow could ruin everything. I'm going to have to deal with him myself.

Odette: No!

Narrator: The ball of the ball has arrived, and Odette is trying to free herself from her captor as Rothbart makes his way to the ball ready to kidnap Derek and take care of him. One less thing In the way of Power and riches. The ball was exciting and fun. It was time for Derek's announcement. Although he thought he danced with Odette at the ball he was deceived by none other than Rothbart's sorcerery.

Derek: Kings and queens, ladies and gentlemen, mother. I have an announcement to make. Today I found my bride. I present her to you as the future queen of our fair Kingdom. And as proof of my love for her, I make a vow to break all vows. A vow stronger than all the powers of the earth. Before you and before the whole world, I make a vow of everlasting love. To Odette.

Rothbart: Hello little Prince.

Derek: Who are you?

Rothbart: Went and pledged your love to another, huh?

Derek: What are you talking about? This is Odette!

Rothbart: No! Odette is mine!

Derek: It's you! You have no power here! I made a vow! A vow of everlasting love!

Rothbart: You made a vow, all right! A vow of everlasting death!

Derek: No! Odette!

Rothbart: She's fading fast, little prince. If you hurry, little Prince, I'll let you see her one last time! I don't think she's going to make it.

Narrator : Derek chases after Rothbart to the lake. Odette transforms for the last time. As Odette falls to the ground Derek is there to catch her.

Derek: Odette. Oh, what have I done to you? Forgive me, Odette. Forgive me.

Odette: Derek?

Derek: Yes, Odette. I am here.

Odette: Derek, I feel so weak. I think, I am...

Derek: No! You'll live, Odette! The vow I made was for you!

Odette: I know. Derek.

Rothbart: Odette, Odette, Odette!

Derek: I made the vow for her! Do you hear? The vow I made was for her!

Rothbart: No need to shout.

Derek: Don't let her die! Don't you dare let her die? You're the only one with the power! Now do it! I won't let her die!

Rothbart: If She dies, I will have enough power to take her kingdom. And if I defeat you then I can have both kingdoms. Hmmm interesting.

Narrator: Rothbart and Derek fight for their own purposes. Rothbart using his powers turned himself in to this Great Animal, a hideous creature. With the skills of a hunter, Derek dodges attack after attack and finds strength in his heart to save his true love. To save Odette. With a swift swing of his sword he defeats The Great Animal. Finally breaking the spell.

Derek: Oh please, oh please! No! Forgive me, Odette. Forgive me. I only wanted to break the spell. To prove my love. I love you. Your kindness and courage, I always have.

Odette: Derek?

Derek: Odette?

Odette: Oh, Derek!

Derek: Odette! (they embrace)

Odette: Will you love me Derek, Till the day I die?

Derek: No, much longer than that, Odette. Much longer!

Odette: Far longer than forever.